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AGENDA

The Agenda is a FREE service to publicize Concordia-related events. Space priority is given to non-profit and student groups. Drop off your info at our office in room 649 in the Hall Building, or mail it in, indicating AGENDA on the envelope. Deadlines are 5 pm Friday for Tuesday's issue and 5 pm Wednesday for Friday's paper.

Tuesday, October 30

Meeting of Concordia Students Against Apartheid. 2020 Mackay, Rm.203, 4pm. Discussion of changes taking place in South Africa and strategies to increase pressure against the Apartheid system. All are welcome. Info: 848-7410.

Public reading: Nina Ricci reads from Lives of the Saints 8:15pm, room H-420.

The Concordia Marketing Students Association will be holding its bi-monthly meeting in room CC309 (Loyola Campus) starting at 3pm. If you are unable to attend, you can come to our office, room 02 of the Cloran build., corner of West Broadway and Sherbrooke, tomorrow 3:10pm to 4:30pm. Old and new members welcome. Info: 848-7498.

Wednesday, October 31

The Concordia Ski Team is holding their annual ski sale at the Oasis Lounge, Loyola Campus Centre, 7141 Sherbrooke St. W. There will be great savings on new & used, cross-country & downhill ski equipment. come out and support us!! Hours: today through the 3rd of Nov. 9am to 9pm, Nov. 4th 10am to 5pm.

Show your support for the "Greening of Concordia" today at noon, corner of Mackay/de Maisonneuve, rain or shine. "Mock demonstration" in order to make Greenspace an election issue and pressure the administration of concordia for support. Info: U.S.S.A. 848-7416.

Thursday, November 1

Ann Gertler, a UN observer for Project Ploughshares will speak on the topic of "What Can the UN Do?" 4pm to 5:30pm. Refreshments available between 3:30pm to 4pm. Lonergan College, 7302 Sherbrooke St. W., corner West Broadway. Info: 848-2280.

GENERAL

Getting tired of all those empty and half-full notebooks, neglected pens and cast-off calculators, gathering dust and reminding you of the fact that you've temporarily disguised yourself as a student? got any spare chain saws in your closet (or other assorted power tools)? Unburden yourself of your collective guilt by donating these items to Tools for Peace. We'll send them off to Nicaragua, where they'll be used to promote literacy, build schools and hospitals, and much much more... drop box in the Physics Dept., Hall Bldg!!!

Go Take a Hike! Weekend hiking trip to the Adirondaks High Peaks Region 8h Nov. 3 to 21h Nov. 4. Meeting Thursday evening, 19h Nov.1 at Victoria Gym (sign-up anytime at athletics department there.) Info: Concordia Outdoor Club, 848-3860.

The Concordia Central America Committee has meetings every 2nd Friday at 4pm. Where? At 2020 Mackay 2nd floor. Call 848-7410, for more info.

Lectures and group discussion on Islam. Every Friday at 6pm, at H-420. Muslim Students Association, 848-7456.

McGill's humour magazine now seeking submissions from Concordia Students! The ban is lifted! Red Herring Humour Magazine submission Deadline: Oct.31st. Drop your submissions off at 3480 McTavish #406 (McGill Student Union building.) Info: 398-6816/844-6220.

Q-Pirg will be holding a by-election for Board members at our semi-annual general meeting. We are presently seeking nominees. The nomination period is Oct. 18—31. Q-PIRG encourages women, people of colour, gays and lesbians, to participate. We particularly require a greater representation of women on the board. For info: 848-7585. 2130 Mackay, AR-101.

Fundraising—Women's Sexual Assault Centre. Support the Center, buy a raffle ticket at the Q-PIRG office, 2130 Mackay. The Centre is hoping to raise $20,000 as they have had to deal with cutbacks in funding and presently only have one office worker.

All psychology students are invited to attend CUPA's weekly meetings held every Thursday at 3pm. The meetings are held at 2020 Mackay, P-Annex, room 205. Everyone is welcome.

Attention all psychology students, a contest is being held to choose our t-shirt's new design. All submissions can be dropped off at CUPA's office, P-Annex, 2020 Mackay, room 205, or at CUPA's mailbox at CUSA, 6th floor Hall building. Prize is 2 free t-shirts. Please write your name & phone number on your submission. Deadline: Nov.15th.

CUTV is in the process of collecting donations for the non-profit organization Centraide. For donations pass by CUTV at H-651-1. Info: 848-7403.

Health Services is now open Monday—Friday, 9am to noon and 1:30pm to 5pm. at both of their locations: 2155 Guy, ER 407 (848-3565), and 6935 Sherbrooke St. W., CH 101 (848-3575.) Their services include general physical examinations, birth control, STD counselling, allergy shots, personal counselling, nutritional information, first-aid and much more...No appointment necessary to see the nurse, GP's and specialists are available by appointment.

Green elections: Want to help Mtl's Green Party run in the Nov. 4th elections. If you are, please call 281-VERT.

The Concordia Travel Resource Club is pleased to announce that its office is now open at 2009 Bishop St., crn. de Maisonneuve. Open Mon-Fri 11am-9pm. Info: 847-0810.

Traducteurs sans frontiers, a volunteer translation group, are looking for students in translation for work on the topics of: human rights, development of peace. Traducteurs sans frontiers/ Central American Committee : 737-4682 Antonio.

Services for Disabled Students needs faculty, staff and student readers! Do you have a clear reading voice and some time to read texts and/or articles onto tape for personal use of students who are visually impaired and learning disabled? Please call 848-3525.

Amateur Radio Club Meetings. Every Tuesday 7pm--11pm, at H-644-1. Talk to the world with amateur radio. Classes begin soon.

Join CUTV ! Become a cameraperson, editor, switcher, director, producer, etc....We need members. If interested, pass by H651-1 or call 848-7403.

The Concordia Central America Committee is seeking new membership to participate in its 1990-91 activities. Call us at 848-7410 or drop by our offices at 2020 Mackay, 2nd floor.
Le Comité Amérique Centrale de Concordia recrute de nouveaux membres pour participer à ses activités de 1990-91. Appelez-nous au 848-7410 ou visitez-nous au 2020 Mackay, 2e étage.

The **Concordia** University Psychology Association (CUPA) invites Psychology Students to their meetings,held every Thursday in CUPA's office-2020 Mackay, P Annex, RM 205, 3pm

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Pounding the peace beat

Braving the bad weather, more than 2000 people turned out in the name of peace.

by Wayne Johnson

More than 2000 Montrealers demonstrated Sunday to raise awareness about domestic and international violence and efforts to combat it.

The annual event coincided with the United Nations-sponsored Peace Week. The marchers gathered at Lafontaine Park, in front of l'Université du Québec à Montréal.

Dimitri Roussopoulos, an Ecology Montreal candidate for the Jeanne Mance district, lauded the march.

"The demonstration has given the concept of peace a deeper and broader meaning," he said.

But Mike Ryan of the Defense of Mohawk Sovereignty said the demonstration failed to address an important issue.

"Little or no attention has been paid to the Mohawk situation," he said.

The marchers moved west along Sherbrooke St., then down St. Denis. St. and over to Champs-de-Mars in Old Montreal, where a series of short speeches were given by organizers.

Several representatives from the Soviet Union, church groups, a Quebec artists' association called "Les Artistes pour la Paix", and two Quebec unions took part in the demonstration.

Mayor Jean Doré and Quebec pop singers Marie-Claire and Richard Séguin were at the march's helm.

The marchers were joined by a group of Innu protesting low-level military flights over their traditional hunting grounds in Northern Quebec and Labrador. The natives began walking from Halifax Aug.7 and expect to arrive in Ottawa Nov.10.

Library staff overdue for negotiations

by Michael Orsini

More than 120 downtown library workers are ready to throw the book at Concordia — again.

Staff at the Norris, Science and Engineering libraries and Technical Services walked off the job for an hour last Tuesday to protest lagging contract talks between their union — National Union of Sir George Williams University Employees (NUSGWUE) — and the university.

Union members have been negotiating with the university since their contract expired Nov. 31, 1989.

Tommy Chalmers, one of the library negotiators, said the university's representatives have been acting in bad faith.

"When we make offers, they only take what's good for them," said Chalmers, a Norris Library stack attendant. "It requires that we show them that we're serious."

Robert Black, another NUSGWUE negotiatior, said library workers want parity with those holding similar jobs in the public sector, such as CEGEP library staff.

"Other parts of the collective agreement are tied to the public sector," said Black, a temporary circulation clerk at the Hall Building's Science and Engineering library.

Library workers currently earn between $10.26 and $15.75 an hour. The union is demanding a seven and a half per cent wage increase in the first year for its lower-level employees to cope with inflation, higher interest rates, and the Goods and Services Tax (GST).

NUSGWUE wants higher-level employees, such as supervisors, to receive a nine-per cent increase in the first year.

The university is only offering a 5.13 per cent cost-of-living adjustment for both categories of employees.

Spiros Lazaris, labor relations manager for Concordia's Human Resources Department, refused to discuss why the university does not want to give in to the union's wage demands, adding that he doesn't like negotiating through the media.

Lazaris wasn't surprised by the union's decision to push the issue out into the public domain, but said he is still optimistic the two parties can reach an agreement soon.

"This is not unusual for this kind of group," he said. "It's their style. They've done it before."

NUSGWUE members went on a two-hour strike in Feb. 1988, demanding that part-time workers have their salaries doubled from minimum wage.

They won that fight, and Chalmers says they're not afraid to fight again.

"We have a lot of catching up to do," he said. "We know it's going to have an impact on the students. We don't do this kind of thing lightly. But it's the only way we can get any attention from the administration."

The two parties are meeting for the 19th time Nov. 7 to iron out their differences. Another two meetings are also planned for the same month.

Black said the the university's excuse for not boosting salaries is that its coffers are empty.

"They've found money elsewhere when required," he said, referring to the six to 33 per cent salary increases given to professors, technicians, and non-professionals in the past years.

Concordia is also spending $2-million on Job Evaluation Project - a program aimed at bringing about 800 non-academic employees at parity with those holding similar jobs outside the university.

The interim director of Concordia's libraries, Louis Vagianos, refused to comment on the current labor conflict.

Deficit hits the high notes

CUSA keeps shoveling out the bucks to cover the monster deficit left by September's blockbuster concert flop, Enviro-Rock.

At last count, the $36 000 hole in CUSA's purse has widened, allowing as much as $11 000 more to seep out.

An early budget report pegged the Envirorock price tag at over $47 000.

Nearly two months after the concert held Sept.15, students are still awaiting a final tally.

"We're still expecting some revenue to come in," said CUSA comptroller Brent Jones.

The concert was supposed to have generated upward of $20 000 in proceeds for the environmental group Friends of the Earth, but as the attendence fell well short of the 2,000 expected all they got was a token donation of $50, made on CUSA co-president Stuart Letovsky's behalf.

Police from N.D.G.'s station 15 who worked the concert estimated the concert crowd at no more than 700.

Dumping on City Hall

by Barry Walsh

For a few fleeting moments last Saturday, the home of Montreal's municipal government became a garbage dump.

About 200 people, bearing recyclable cans, paper and bottles, participated in a march on city hall organized by Action Montréal Verte, a coalition of 15 local environmental-action groups.

The march began at Carré St. Louis, and culminated in the formation of a human chain around city hall. Marchers passed their recyclable garbage along the chain, dumping the contents into recycling bins in the parking lot.

Jo Lechay, one of the event's organizers, said the timing of the march had special political significance.

"With this march, we hope to get ecological issues out into the open," Lechay said.

"We need to sensitize candidates in the upcoming municipal election, as well as the general public, to the needs of Montreal's environment."

Marchers stopped at various strategic points along the route, including Complexe Desjardins, home of the Montreal Urban Community (MUC) offices, and the Hydro-Québec building on René Lévesque Blvd.

Upon arriving at Hydro-Québec, participants chanted "James Bay! No way!" in reference to the upcoming James Bay II project under fire from the Cree Indians. No one from Hydro was present to address the crowd.

Lechay said both the provincial and municipal governments need to deal with ecological issues immediately.

"The politicians have been dragging their feet on a lot of areas, particularly recycling," she said. "We were told during the last election campaign (in 1986) that parking spaces in Montreal would decrease, but they've increased by six per cent."

Although the march was promoted as a non-partisan event, many taking part had very definite views about city council's environmental policies.

Ian Ritchie, Ecology Party candidate for NDG district 31, talked with potential voters while marching. He said that city council has not dealt effectively with waste control.

"We need to be concerned about the lack of a comprehensive recycling program," he said. "The city aims at recycling about 15 per cent of its waste. That's too low an amount."

"(Mayor Jean) Doré dealt with some of the issues this year," said George Walton of Q-PIRG's Urban Studies Initiative project.

"But it is election year."

Walton said the lack of green-space around Concordia's Hall

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Politically correct coffee from Nicaragua is now available at the offices of the Central America Committee at 2020 Mackay, 2nd floor. Info 848-7410.
Café "politiquement" correct du Nicaragua disponible au bureau du Comité Amérique Centrale de Concordia,2020 Mackay, 2e étage, renseignements: 848-7410.

The Concordia University Pre-Law Association, for any student considering a career in the legal field. Lectures, data on entrance requirements, will help remove some of the imposition of law school. CUPLA 848-7463.

Allied Jewish Community Service looking for volunteers into Shalom Line a telephone listening service. Info call Suzanne Herscovitch at 735-3541, ext. 3380.

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Concordia Debating Union: Weekly meeting Friday 2pm, call 848-7412.

WOMEN'S LISTINGS

The Concordia Women's Collective doesn't know when they're having their meeting, but you can call 848-7411 and maybe you can find out.

Sexually Harrassed? If you feel you have been discriminated against because you are a woman, contact the Concordia Women's Collective, who is documenting incidents of sexual harrassment & sexism on campus. If you don't know who to turn to or who to tell, contact us at 848-7411 or c/o CUSA, 1455 de Maisonneuve W., Montréal, Qué., H3G 1M8. (confidentiality guaranteed.)

The Lesbian Studies Coalition of Concordia will hold weekly meetings, Mondays at 8pm Simone de Beauvoir Institute Lounge. Bring your ideas and enthusiasm! all Lesbians, women, Faculty and staff welcome.

Have you written any papers on lesbian themes? Remember how frustrating it was to find adequate resources? The Lesbian Studies Coalition wants to ease similar frustrations by compiling essays written with a lesbian theme, and making them available to other students for reference. Please drop your papers off at the S.D.B.I. document centre, and leave a message with Lesbian Studies at CUSA (848-7474).

BI-The-Way — Bisexual Women's discussion group now meets every Friday. All women welcome. Info: Mon-Thurs 848-7431. Resource info available at Concordia Women's Centre, 2020 Mackay during office hours. On October 26th, a video will be shown on spousal rights in alternative relationships.

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Lesbian Studies Coalition presents discussion "Lesbian Music," bring your favourites. Discussion held at Simone de Beauvoir lounge, 2170 Bishop at 8pm.

October 9 – November 1 "Portraits and Figures." An exhibition of portraits and figures by Eliza Griffiths and Julia Waks will be on view at the Concordia Women's Centre 'Art Space.' Women's Centre, 2020 Mackay p-03. All welcome.

"We Will Not Be Silenced." Collection of poems and works of prose. The Concordia office on the Status of Women is collecting poems, works of prose, etc. in commemoration of the killing of 14 women on December 6, 1989 at the Ecole Polytechnique. Please send your works to Office on the Status of Women, K-103 (2150 Bishop St.). Deadline: Oct. 31. Info: 848-4841.

Feminist Focus Day: CKUT 90.3fm presents 12 hours of feminist programming, on Sun. Oct. 21, 12-24h. Interested in helping out? Weekly meetings Mon 19h at 3480 McTavish, #B15. Info: Andrea, Sarah, or Jessica at 398-6787.

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Services will be held Thursday, November 1 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Patrick's Church, 460 René Lévesque Blvd. W.

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Boskey: from MCM to DCM

by Barry Walsh

The main issue facing voters on election day will be how much support they're willing to throw behind the Montreal Citizens Movement, said Sam Boskey, incumbent councillor for the Décarie district.

"It's not really about schedules for tree-trimming," he said. "The big question (for voters) on Nov. 4 will be 'do we want an overwhelming victory for the Montreal Citizen's Movement (MCM),'" Boskey said.

"I'm hoping the answer will be no."

Boskey, who was first elected to city council in 1982, said he detected a shift in the MCM's direction when it snatched power from Jean Drapeau's Civic Party in 1986.

"The original motivating factor behind the MCM was democratization and decentralization - returning the city to its citizens and abolishing Drapeau's closed-door style of policy - making," he said.

"After Doré (became Mayor), it was decided that the administration speaks in one voice, and the possibility of debate over any issue became a lot smaller."

Boskey says he felt the MCM's political agenda started moving toward the right in 1986 when there was an influx of new party members.

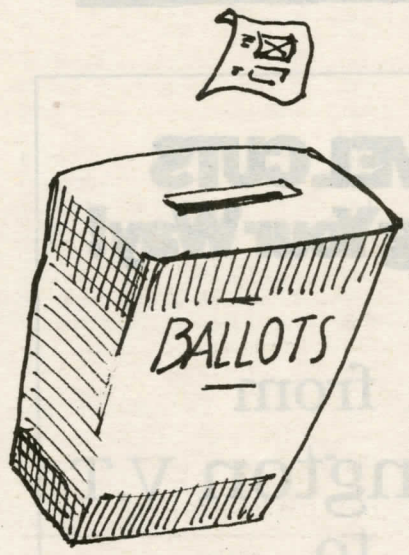
"In 1984, party membership was at about 3500," Boskey said. "By election day (of 1986), it was at 20,000. A lot of these people weren't around in the early days, and they didn't know what the MCM originally stood for - grassroots democracy."

But Boskey said anyone disagreeing with the MCM's executive council was branded a dissident by the party leader and ostracized from within.

"Once a councillor spoke publicly against Doré or the MCM party line, there would be a tongue-lashing in the hallway," he said.

"(It was like) Doré was saying," Listen to me, or there will be trouble."

Boskey joined ranks late last year with three other dissident councillors - Marvin Rotrand, Pierre Goyer, and Pierre-Yves Melançon - to form the Democratic Coalition of Montreal (DCM).



He said the pressure he and the three other councillors felt from the Doré administration to "shut up and collect our paycheques" was too much to take.

Boskey said he could best serve residents of his constituency through the DCM because of its commitment to local issues.

His political science and law degrees, coupled with his experience as both a labour organizer and legal researcher for the provincial government - a position he still holds on a part-time basis - gives him the tools needed to deal with issues varying from human rights concerns to zoning bylaws

He said he's made progress trying to establish low-income housing in his district, and hopes for similar success in curbside recycling and the development of green space if he's elected for a third term.

He's sat on the committees that developed Montreal's anti- apartheid and nuclear-free zone declarations, and he hopes that other city councillors will become involved with the social issues within their communities.

Boskey also said the Doré government isn't in touch with its constituency, and has let big business cloud its judgement.

He added the MCM has gone from advocating tenants rights to advocating developpers' rights, citing Overdale street where tenants were forcibly evited by police last October, as the most glaring example.

"People are starting to think they don't have a voice anymore, so they don't bother fighting city hall," he said.

Boskey said he wants to prove that city council can deal with more than recycling bins and bylaws.

"Councillors can help raise people's political awareness," he says. "Once you've done that, you can be the voice for people's real needs."

Riding the White Elephant

by Shuyee Lee

Start spreading the news.

The White Elephant Party's mayoral candidate believes Montreal will become "another New York City" unless the current administration does something drastic to alleviate the city's poverty and economic development problems.

Michel Bédard, who is running in the deLaurier district, said Mayor Jean Doré's administration has done nothing in the last four years to further Montreal's commercial growth or create any new jobs.

"Montreal will have to assume the bad consequences if we don't make the good move," Bédard said. "Montreal, for the beginning of the next century, will be like the Bronx."

The Bronx is an economically devastated borough of New York City.

The White Elephant Party is emphasizing the issue of urban poverty in its campaign to become the official opposition to the reigning Montreal Citizens' Movement (MCM).

Bédard said it is important to fight poverty not only for "humanistic" reasons, but also because it is a large factor in the increasing crime rate.

He cites the rise of crime in the Métro as one result of the MCM's poor efforts in combatting poverty.

Bédard, who works as a tour guide showing French-speaking visitors around major North American cities - particularly in the U.S.A. - said he has firsthand knowledge of underground systems.

"Washington is one of the worst cities concerning crime in the subway," Bédard said. "It is improving its (Washington's) security system by posting four or five security guards at each station, instead of the one or two in each of our stations here. Their crime rate has gone down."

"There, the criminals know with that many guards, they have no time to do anything," he added.

But Bédard said increasing Métro security is only a temporary solution to subway crime. The city, he said, should be looking at the root causes.

He accused rival Robert Perrault, MCM incumbent for the deLaurier district, of doing an ineffective job in both of his positions; chairman of the Montreal Urban Community Transit Corporation (MUCTC) and vice-president of the city's executive committee concerning economic development.

"When Robert Perrault says that the MUCTC transit system is safe and secure, he is a dum-dum. Montreal has the second most dangerous subway system in the world after New York City," Bédard said.

"He talks about improving security by installing more street lamps and assigning more (patrols), but we have to talk about the cause of crime. When teenagers are begging for money in the stations, or stealing from passengers and ticket-takers; when old people are looking in the garbage for food and deposit cans, the main problem is hunger and poverty," he said, adding, "Crime survives (in these conditions). We can't close our eyes to the problem."

Bédard also defended the presence of beggars in Métro stations, saying it's a good way for transit users to "see the intensity of poverty in Montreal."

"Maybe people will ask the administration to do something so we don't have to hide it."

(Last Friday the MUCTC rescinded its month-old permission to beg in the Métro, following an incident in which a man was stabbed by a panhandler in the Villa Maria Métro station).

Bédard, who has a diploma in municipal management from l'Université du Québec a Montréal, said Montréal is a potential investment haven for entrepreneurs from outside Canada.

"After Atlanta, Montréal is the second most important world-class, commercial city in North America which is open to good business opportunities," he said.

"But our local government doesn't know how to sell Montreal to foreign investors. They are amateurs in this field."

Bédard also wants the adminstration to eliminate waste in the food industry by setting up a network of non-profit restaurants, food counters, and recuperative organizations like the Garde Manger food bank in the St. Henri district.

Montreal's grocery chains and outdoor markets could then donate their surplus food there.

Bédard said he once worked at an open-air market, where "tons of fresh vegetables and fruits were thrown out each Friday because the demand wasn't enough, and a new arrival would come the next Monday. It's a crime to waste food."

The White Elephants are also calling for a program, in which children from low-income families could attend free summer camp in the city.

He said it is "cruel" to deny these children a chance to "participate in a real childhood."

Bédard formed the party last Aug. 8 and now has17 candidates running in the 50 electoral districts. Also running against Bédard and Perrault are Ecology Montreal's Robert Silverman, Normand Vachon of the Montreal Municipal Party, Paul-Emile Patry of the Civic Party, and independent Micheline Dandonneau.

By George, your rights

by Tyrone Newhook

George Savoidakis does not treat discrimination lightly.

Savoidakis, a Municipal Party candidate for the Loyola district, made tax forms available in English. He said the political system has to "accomodate and promote the diversity of this country."

"I saw enough injustice that made me more determined to go into politics. I've advocated then that I was a champion of promoting ethnic rights," said Savoidakis, who is of Greek descent.

He said he is committed to protecting language and minority rights. Newspaper clippings highlighting his accomplishments in promoting language and minority rights are plastered over the walls of his campaign office on Somerled Ave.

In 1976, Savoidakis, a stockbroker, fought against Bill 22. The bill made testing mandatory for children to decide whether they would attend an English or French primary school.

Savoidakis abolished the height regulation used as a qualifying factor for joining the police force. He said height restrictions discriminated against ethnic groups and women.

His commitments have included working for the improvement of sports and recreational facilities, recycling programs and care for children and abused women.

Savoidakis said Loyola has taken a turn for the worse in the last few years because his opponent Sharon Leslie, incumbent city councillor, failed to meet the demands of her district.

"She has never opened up her mouth in City Hall in four years. She's never around," he said. "She (totally) neglected the riding.

"This riding desrves a working councillor who cares," he said.

Savoidakis gained political experience from his eight years as city councillor for the Civic Party.

"I was the first non-Canadian ethnic to be elected in 1978," he said.

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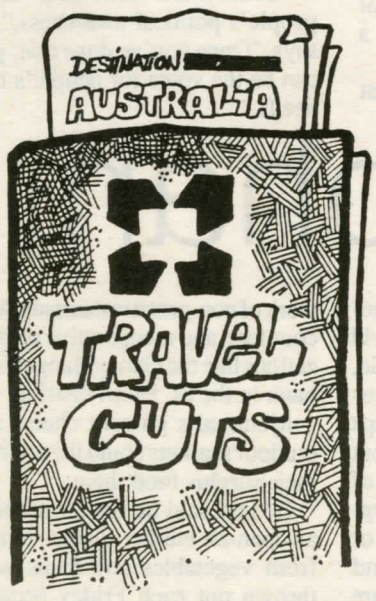

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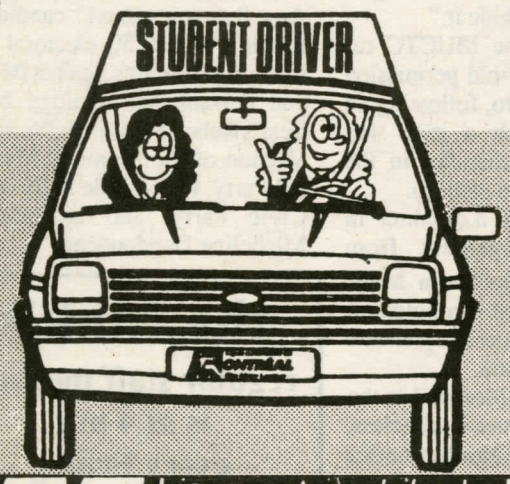

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Bennett vs. Auf der Maur in Peter McGill

High noon in the downtown core

by Mitch Albert

Arnold Bennett wants it made clear he is not a lone dove in a pack of hawks, an idealist alone among the sellouts.

"It's not like I'm some anglo Liberal sitting in the Bourassa cabinet," the Montreal Citizens' Movement (MCM) councillor said of his image in the media as the last grassroots politician in the development-mad MCM administration. He is running as a candidate in the Peter McGill district.

Bennett has long been an advocate of tenants' rights, while the MCM's image as protector of the Little Guy has been tarnished since the 1987-88 Overdale incident.

"It's perception. The MCM screwed up Overdale royally, but we did not have any more Overdales....they aren't that stupid."

Overdale was a neighborhood in the Peter McGill district razed by developers, who had cut a deal with the City against the wishes of the residents.

Bennett, who has been with the party since 1974, called Overdale "the first test of the administration—and they flunked." But, he added, "Anderson was the makeup exam, and they passed it."

Anderson St. is a block in Chinatown where tenants fought with developer Maxidev Inc. over the preservation of housing units there.

"Anderson could have turned into another Overdale, but the tenants won," Bennett said. "The City had real leverage in that case. They didn't just cave in (to developers) that time, and there were real serious negotiations between the City and the tenants. The City bought out the developer."

In December 1989, four former MCM councillors - Sam Boskey, Marvin Rotrand, Pierre-Yves Melançon, and Pierre Goyer - formed the Democratic Coalition. They had quit the MCM a year earlier, disillusioned with what they saw as the party's fall from its original platform as a people's movement based on openness and social justice.

Many observers expected Bennett, who often criticizes MCM policies, to join the councillors he has nicknamed "the gang of four".

"I have a lot of respect for people in the Democratic Coalition and Ecology Montreal," Bennett said. "But I also play a useful role in keeping (the MCM) straight. I have enough allies in the party, whether in principle or in convenience. I was still managing to get things done.

"Sam [Boskey] and Marvin [Rotrand] could have (stayed in the MCM) like I did, but they didn't like it when the people they criticized reacted. I, on the other hand, just don't care."

Bennett said the MCM does not always steamroll ahead without pausing to consider other points of view.

"We stopped all the aspects of the downtown master plan that people didn't like. Heritage buildings and resident areas are all going to remain status quo, even in districts with highrises," Bennett said. "There will be no more giant monsters blotting out the landscape. (Developers) aren't going to build 35-story highrises."

Bennett said the current state of tenants' rights "are much better than four years ago." He said the MCM administration's most important accomplishment was to ban condo conversions, even rejecting a plan allowing condo conversions if 60 per cent of the tenants in a building agreed to buy back their units. According to Bennett, any form of condo conversions are ultimately not beneficial to most tenants, ending in harassment, evictions, or unaffordable dwellings. Bennett has said Montreal tenants have "the toughest protection in North America" and credits the MCM with keeping it that way.

"As long as we can get this kind of work out of the MCM," he said, "I'm going to stay there."

Bennett's main rival in the upcoming election is incumbent Nick Auf der Maur, a Municipal Party candidate. (Bennett originally represented the Notre Dame de Grace district, but chose to run in Peter McGill when NDG was omitted by a redrawn electoral map).

The challenger sees no irony in facing Auf der Maur, a former MCM partisan. "It would have been an irony if I had to run against someone like Boskey," he said. "I haven't been on good terms with Auf der Maur for years:

"There's a lot of booze under the bridge."

Auf der Maur - who has also run as an independent and with the defunct Municipal Action Group - is oil to Bennett's water.

"To show how out of touch Auf der Maur is, he wants to lift the ban on condo conversion. He's so blatant and unashamed. Even [1986 Civic Party mayoral candidate Claude] Dupras, as soon as he found out he was facing 70 per cent of the voters, withdrew from the issue so fast there was smoke where his feet were."

(Auf der Maur was a Peter McGill councillor at the time of the Overdale controversy. He was decidedly in favor of development and came out against a proposed plan to integrate the area).

Auf der Maur said the debate over condo conversions is a "non-issue."

"It exists in the fevered brain of my opponent," Auf der Maur said. "It's the only issue he can milk to raise the anxiety levels of old people."

He also said he supports a policy to "promote home ownership."

"I know a guy on Souvenir St., owns a six-apartment unit. He's financially strapped, and three of his tenants would like to buy his units. What we're saying is if people want to do it, let them."

Auf der Maur said the idea of landlords harassing tenants unwilling to sell, if condo conversions were permitted, "just wouldn't happen."

"People aren't lining up to buy condos...here it is, 1990, in downtown Montreal, and we have hundreds of unsold condos. I never heard tenants bring it (the fear of condo conversions) up.

"The issue exists in Bennett's mind. All this virtue, I can't stand it."

On the road to reform

by Joey Purpura

Democratic Coalition leader and mayoral candidate Pierre-Yves Melançon expects Jean Doré to stay on as mayor.

But he said its his party's objective to become the most vocal and active oppositional force on Montreal's city council.

"We had 25 years with no opposition (under former mayor Jean Drapeau) and we saw what happened," Melançon said in a Gazette interview last Saturday.

"We must never allow that situation to be repeated." Melançon, 39, says he is one of the Montreal Citizens' Movement's (MCM) severest critics. His squabbles with the MCM date back to 1988 when he was serving a second term as city councillor under the MCM banner in the Mount-Royal district.

"The executive committee was taking all the decisions and using the caucus as a rubber stamp. And we were not applying the letter or the spirit of the party," said Melancon, who is facing a tight race against MCM's Abe Limonchik in the redrawn district of Côtes-des-Neiges.

Melançon and three other dissidents, Pierre Goyer, Marvin Rotrand and Sam Boskey founded the Democratic Coalition Party (DCM) last January because they were disenchanted with the MCM.

The party is fielding 27 candidates in the 50 newly-defined electoral disticts for next Sundays election.

The party's main objectives are decentralizing city hall and setting up neighbourhood councils with local legislative and spending powers instead.

"The MCM set up consultation committees which was a step in the right direction, but provided too little action," said city councillor Sam Boskey who is running against Sybil Murray-Denis in the Decarie district.

Boskey, 40, is calling for increasing Access Montreal duties by setting up neighborhood councils in charge of services and having a politically-independent ombudsperson arbitrate grievances.

"We want citizens' rights protected by the creation of time limits in which the administration would be required to give answers or make decisions," said Boskey, a part-time labour court researcher.

Snowdon city councillor Marvin Rotrand, 39, said the MCM forced 65 residents of Overdale street to leave their apartments in October of 1988, to allow for the constuction of twin 39-story condos whose first bricks have yet to be layed.

"Doré showed a blatant disregard for the tenants. He prefers building highrise projects over housing developments," said the former highschool teacher.

DCM officials said they want to scrap the MCM's development scheme because it encourages skyscrapers and mega projects instead of preserving the facade of heritage buildings downtown.

The DCM proposes enhancing the mass transit system by creating more reserved bus and bicycle lanes.

As for the environment, the DCM also proposes recycling of domestic garbage and building deinking plants. DCM officials accused the MCM of foot-dragging because it has yet to lay down environmental laws.

"Did you know that most companies within a one-mile radius of Loyola campus use toxic products," Boskey said.

The DCM also suggests reforming municipal taxation to place more emphasis on user fees than on property taxes and hopes to launch a job-creation program and economic aid for businesses to help curb unemployment, which is up to 15 percent in almost half of Montreal's districts.

The MCM has not taken any initiatitive in economic development," Melançon said "They have lacked the political leadership to lobby demands to superior governments."

Rodriguez a local hair-o

by Peter Matz

His hair may be his claim to fame, but Victor Rodriguez wants people to look at his track record too.

Rodriguez, 30, is a Montreal Municipal Party candidate in the Jeanne Mance district. He has been teased for deciding to keep his hair long for the election, and said he wants people to know he's not a typical politician.

"I don't come from the business world," Rodriguez said. "I won't start promising to lower (municipal) taxes, because it's a waste of time. No matter who's in office they (taxes) will always go up."

Rodriguez, director of the Senior Abuse Department (SAD) at Sun Youth for the past six years, said he's always dealing with the police, city merchants, and especially the elderly.

The elderly are the hardest hit in the community when it comes to crime and high rents, he said. "Seniors are going hungry so they can keep paying their rents."

On the first Monday of each month, Sun Youth's food bank for seniors receives up to 800 elderly clients. Sun Youth's general food bank provides service to nearly 100 people a day Monday to Friday.

Rodriguez said seniors are too embarassed to make a report when they become victims of crime.

"For every one that does call for help, I know there's at least ten others in the same predicament," he said.

He blames the recent proliferation of dance bars on St. Laurent Blvd. for the increase in crime.

"With more clubs there's more drugs and more prostitution," Rodriguez said. "This will only increase the number of crimes committed in the area."

If elected, he said he plans to have more shelters built for seniors and battered women in his district.

He will also lobby police to increase the number of foot patrols because he said many people have told him they're afraid to walk the streets at night.

Rodriguez said he's involved in a tough race, squaring up against five other candidates. But he said he's confident he will win in next Sunday's election because of the positive reaction of people he meets on the street.

He said working at Sun Youth has taught him to care for those who don't have a voice.

"I wanted to run so I'd be able to help people even more than I do now," Rodriguez said. "But I won't change to fit the politician image by cutting my hair," he added.

Manquer le *Cargo*

par Serge Noël

Cargo. Un monsieur qui travaille dans un bureau reçoit la visite de sa fille en petit habit provocant .

Elle le prie de laisser là paperasse et dossiers, et de plutôt venir avec elle à la mer.

Rencontre avec le beau-fils bohémien. Sur le voilier, papa étouffe devant tout cet espace. Puis, tempête, mère disparue, bateau fantôme, et doubles.

Je n'en dirai pas plus. Mystère oblige.

Il semblera quand même évident au lecteur que le réalisateur François Girard s'inspire de la merveilleuse tradition du fantastique sud-américain pour ce qui est de la logique narrative de son film. Mais la froideur de l 'exécution de la trame n'apparaît pas dans ce résumé.

Il y a même quelque chose comme une moralité blafarde dans ce film.

Malgré le brio de certaines scènes, et entre toutes, de la tempête *Cargo*, dans son ensemble, ne réussit pas a créer l'espace sensuel et organique nécessaire à l'étayement de la sensibilité latine dont il s'inspire. C'est l'écueil qui échoue le bateau.

François Girard a de l'expérience malgré ses 26 ans. Il travaille d'abord la vidéo d'art - entre autres avec *"La-La-La Human Steps"*. Puis, il est un des meilleurs réalisateurs de vidéoclips du Québec. Donc, il aspirait justement au long métrage. Et avec ses antécédents, l'on pouvait même s'attendre à un traitement original de la trame de son premier film.

Après tout, il avait oeuvré dans les formes actuelles offrant le plus de liberté d'exécution.

Et donc, un produit décevant de la part du premier réalisateur de génération "cliptique" ayant touché le long métrage; car, hormis l'exceptionnelle scène de la tempête, on note souvent un caractère approximatif au découpage. Un découpage qui est monté, de surcroit, avec indulgence.

Que dire d'autre? On peut accorder un bon point pour la consistance de la direction artistique et attribuer une mention pour l'effort de conception sonore; mais on doit aussi signaler une réserve quant à la direction de la photo qui manque justement de direction. Le jeu est, quant à lui, efficace, sans bavure, mais sans étincelle

Cargo, un premier film, démontre des qualités indéniables dans le détail de sa facture, mais il manque de cohésion.

Présenté en première au Festival international du nouveau cinéma et de la vidéo, *Cargo* est maintenant à l'affiche au cinéma du Complexe-Desjardins.

The times they are a-burnin'

By Naomi Charron and Kate Kung

Trick or treat.

With Halloween just around the corner, images of witches easily-come to mind. One rarely thinks of that little child dressed as a witch and burning at the stake.

The Burning Times, a new documentary from Studio D of the National Film Board of Canada, traces the witchcraze and draws the connection between the persecution of women as witches and the violence against women today. The film recognizes that witchcraze was a genocide of women.

Director Donna Read claims that the witch is one of few images left to modern western civilisation which expresses and celebrates women's power. The term "witch" comes from the word wicce, which means bending or shaping events and consciousness. It was used to refer to shamanic and healing abilities.

Many of the women who were witches were practitioners of ancient pagan rituals celebrating the Earth, life and the role of humans within this organic order.

Their knowledge of healing, birth control and independance was seen as a direct t hreat to patriarchal Christianity, which was sweeping throughout Europe and the New World.

Independant women, including healers, midwives, widows and mystics, such as Joan of Arc, were condemned for functioning outside of the jurisdiction of the Church hierarchy. They were accused of being heretics, and tortured and burnt at the stake. At the height of the witchcraze, virtually any woman could be targetted, regardless of class.

This tradition of misogyny has filtered down in various ways into modern day, western culture. Commonly-used terms such as the "third degree" - which referred to the process whereby the "accused" underwent torture resulting in either confession or death - are products of this period. The term witch has derogatory connotations even today.

Read has made the connection between the witch and her successor, the feminist.

The terms witch and feminist have negative connotations because implications of power and autonomy challenge patriarchal power structures.

The Burning Times also documents the reclaiming of pagan traditions and of the personage of the witch by contemporary practitioners known as wiccans. These practices include respecting and revering both women and the Earth.

This relates to the present destruction of our environment.

Starhawk, a theologian and wiccan, acknowledges in the film that activism is an integral aspect of spirituality and that political and ecological concerns have become intertwined with spiritual expression.

The Burning Times signifies the beginning of the destruction of our planet, according to Read. "We must revive the ancient values revering and living with the earth, rather than being superior to it.".

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Mohawk benefit a success

by S.E.D.C.

Latecomers huddled at the Onyx doorway pleading to be let in.

Inside, people braved claustrophobia. But all this "suffering" was for a good cause as the event of the evening was a benefit for the Defence Fund for Mohawk Sovereignty/Mohawk Nation Office. The key organizer of the benefit was Iain Cook, member of the group GOGODGO!

Several Mohawk Nation representatives addressed the crowd, and reminded us all why exactly we were all there. People were there to be entertained, yes, but the speakers focused our energy and made us realize that there was a very serious reason why the event had come to be.

Not only did the speakers attach human faces to the distorted caricatures that the media created, but also raised some very real issues that are ignored by the mainstream press, such as the destruction of the lives of the people of Kanesatake, Kahnawake, and Akwesasne.

The speakers also gave us the much needed reminder that we had the responsibility in our own communities of to affect change for social justice for all First Nations.

We were entertained by performances by ex-Fail-Safe and ex-Alternative Inuit members in their new incarnation of GOGODGO!, the John Sobol Poetry Duo (who ended up being one person with talent enough for two), Judy Radul, Rhythm Activism, and Johanne Lafleur.

GOGODGO! turned out to be the surprise of the evening as Iain Cook's vocal style was much more in the vein of poetry performance than his usual psychotic screaming.

Judy Radul - kick-ass chick poet- entranced the crowd with her performance, the highlight being her piece on bitches. Maybe entranced is the wrong word. She demanded attention!

Rhythm Activism entertained us with their East European dance music, and have already made a benefit tape for the Mohawk legal defence fund entitled OKA. The tape is available at local record stores around town.

Mike Ryan of the Defence Fund for Mohawk Sovereignty was very pleased with the event.

"There's obviously a certain degree of sympathy," said Ryan. "I've never before been involved in a small scale benefit that made $800;or a benefit where so many people, including students, admitted they could actually afford the $5.00 suggested donation, rather than the $3.00 low revenue suggested donation."

Although the evening was a success, it cannot and will not stop there. The Mohawk people are in need of monetary funds to rebuild their communities and to finance their legal defence.

"The benefit was a test to see how much support there was in the community, and there was more support than anticipated," explained Cook. "This is just the start of a series of benefits." Let's hope so.

(For further information on upcoming events & what you can do around this issue, call the Defence Fund for Mohawk Sovereignty at 842-7509.)

Recovering and discovering

by Kate Kung

The entrance to the exhibit greeted visitors with two barricades.

They are not unlike those used this summer in Kahnewake and Kahnesatake. But here at the V.A.V. Gallery they do not function as blockades but are transformed into powerful symbols.

This show, entitled "Our Home and Native Land", forces the re-examination of things which have become commonplace, such as barricades and Canada's national anthem, from a distinctly aboriginal perspective.

This diverse and highly charged exhibit is a collaboration between Mary Longman, Veran Wallis, Arthur Renwick and Eric Robertson, four aboriginal artists.

Each artist had different reasons for participating in the show, but they shared the common purpose of wanting to deconstruct and challenge stereotypes about native people, and to re-define cultural identity.

"This exhibit is not about Oka," said artist and curator Arthur Renwick. "It's about North American aboriginals forming an identity within which they can be respected as humans, not as the 'other', within our home and native land."

Among Renwick's works is a piece displaying various views of a totem pole on permanent exhibit at the Anthropology Museun in B.C. In the middle of the photographs is a single word - "cage".

"The totem is (meant to be) a part of the land, part of our cultural beliefs. The museum throws it out of context." said Renwick.

For Veran Wallis, the show was of discourse with his eight year old son.

"The work is dedicated to my son so he does not forget that he is first an Apache and second married to the white native of our land," said Wallis. "I'm dyslexic but (through my art) I can draw attention to the summer of sorrow and vent my anger out."

The works in this exhibition are a unique mixture of traditional materials, such as feathers and bones, and more contemporary materials as photographs and stainless steel.

One of the works, an installation by Mary Longman, utilizes soil, bones and tufts of grass from reservation land. Planted in the soil are steel signs which point the way to Cree Bay, the provincial park at Oka and a sign that says "Discover America".

Through the use of natural and artificial products Longman wanted to represent appropriation and cultural dislocation.

"The installation deals with signs, symbols and land and the appropriation of those lands in a disrespectful way," she said. "It is the taking of something illegally for one's own possession."

"Native art went from being a curio to a museum relic, it is seen as being apolitical," said Eric Robertson. "A lot of critics find it hard to deal with native art. I want to try and break this fear; our work is not inaccessible."

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Visitors viewing a work by Arthur Renwick on the night of the first of two vernissages.

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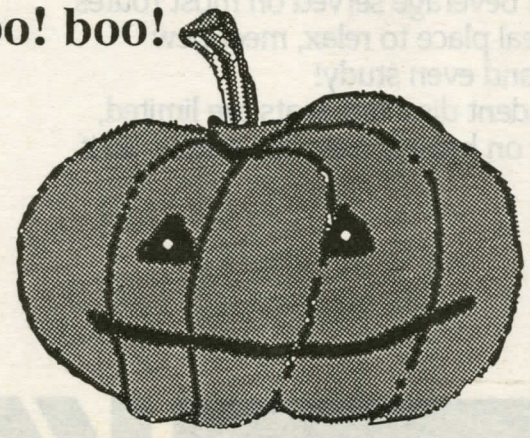

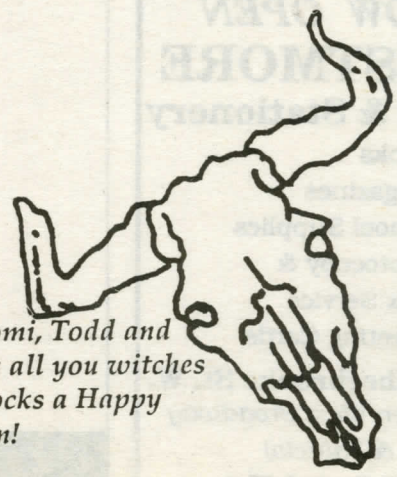

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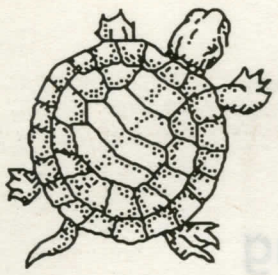

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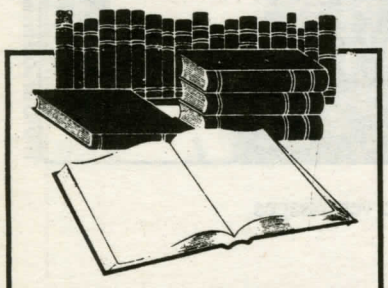

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MCM shuns women's groups

by Heidi Modro

It was supposed to be Léa Cousineau's big moment.

As caretaker of the women's dossier in the Doré administration, Cousineau was sitting with candidates from all the municipal parties at a panel discussion on women's issues last week.

A beaming Cousineau delivered a seven-minute speech crowning her achievements as a member of the Montreal Citizens' Movement administration.

Her smile quickly faded when members of the audience began questioning her about the MCM's inaction on the problems of poverty, violence against women and lack of affordable daycare facilities in the city.

Women confronted Cousineau with figures that showed that more than one third of Montreal families are headed by single mothers, while the average woman barely lives above the poverty line.

When asked to comment on the recent rash of spousal homicides, Cousineau quickly remarked that not all of the murders took place on the island of Montreal.

Mona Forrest, director of Montreal's Women's Centre, said she was shocked at the response.

"I couldn't believe she would be so insensitive," said Forrest, who organized the panel discussion. "Here you had the woman who is supposed to be the champion of women's rights at city hall saying she doesn't care about 20 women who were murdered just because they weren't all living within the jurisdiction of her bureaucracy."

Forrest said that this attitude has become typical of the way the MCM administration views women.

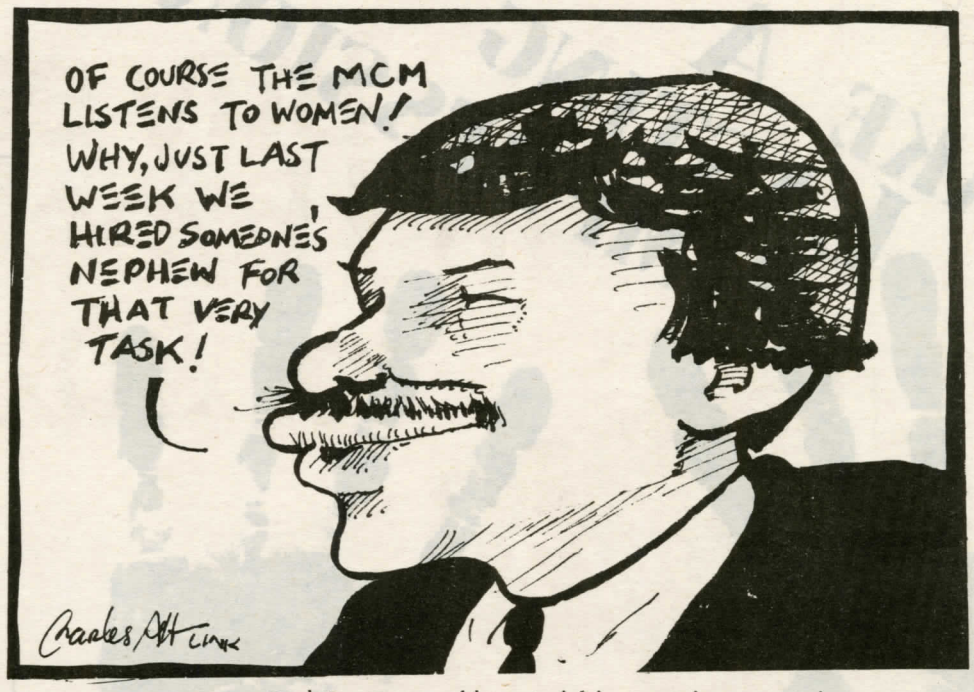
"Cousineau doesn't seem to be visibly fighting for women's issues within city hall," she said. "Her preoccupations are very bureaucracy and structure oriented. Whenever someone criticized her about something, she would just answer that you couldn't do things because you couldn't bypass a certain regulation."

Yolande Cohen, one of the panelists at the meeting, said it was obvious Cousineau was becoming increasingly uncomfortable during the evening.

"I had the impression that the women's dossier has been put on ice at city hall and that it wasn't a priority on anyone's list," said Cohen, who is also a member of the newly-formed Montréal Ecologique party.

Although she doesn't expect to win in her Plateau Mont-Royal district, Cohen said she decided to run for the sake of getting women's issues on the electoral agenda.

"Cousineau was essentially telling everyone at the meeting that she was taking care of everything and that this wasn't an election for women's groups to get involved in," she said. "And of course, none of the other parties had anything to say, so someone has to come up with some kind of opposition position."



Many believed the MCM's 1986 election win signalled a change from the 25 years of inaction on women's issues under the Jean Drapeau regime.

The party's1986 political programme was chock-full of pledges to increase the number of women's shelters, decriminalize prostitution and set up special anti-violence squads for women who were sexually assaulted or victims of wife battering.

In the three-page special chapter on women's issues, there was also a promise to attack pornography by regulating the display of outdoor pornographic material, and a committment to open up more jobs for women who wanted to enter blue collar professions.

The MCM also vowed to repair the injustices of pay inequity within city hall.

Four years later, most of the MCM's original platform has been dropped.

And the party no longer has a special women's committee, as it did before the 1986 elections.

A record number of 15 women were elected to council. Half of the executive council was made up of women, although the most senior positions - president, vice-president and leader in council - are still held by men.

And under Cousineau's helm, the MCM has kept some of the more mainstream promises on women's issues, such as asking the provincial government to give it the right to regulate pornographic material in magazine shops and on commercial signs.

"The way they treat women's issues is typical of the way they have watered down their positions on all issues." said Forrest. "Now that they're in power and there is no opposition, they don't care."

But Léa Cousineau's political attaché said the MCM re-evaluated its party platform after it was voted in because many of their promises were in provincial and federal jurisdiction.

"We didn't want to let other levels of government off the hook," Ginette Thériault said.

She says the MCM administration can boast many achievements since it came to power

"You have to remember we had to start with nothing when we got into office," Ginette Thériault said. "Women at city hall were only to be found at low-paying secretarial jobs. Our first priority has been to redress the situation within city hall."

A spokesperson for Action Travail des Femmes, a women's lobby group, said threats of being taken to the Human Rights Commission got the city to raise its blue collar hiring quota for women to 25 per cent in 1988 and 50 per cent in 1989.

"It was when we started putting enormous pressure on them that they actually began to respond," said Dominique Leclercq, a spokesperson for the women's group. "If it weren't for our lobbying, they probably would not have gotten pushed very far for any change."

While there are still no quotas for white collar workers, two of the six directors appointed to the city's civil service departments are women.

But Forrest said Cousineau is too preoccupied with what's going on inside city hall.

And even those changes are coming too slow, she added.

"Sure there have been some improvements for women in city hall," Forrest said. "But most of us women don't live in city hall. What about the rest of us?"

Cohen said the only way to improve women's quality of life within the city is to set up a special permanent women's rights commission that not only consults with women, but would also be responsible for drawing up plans of action.

And eventually more power and money would have to be given to women's groups.

"There have been changes since the MCM has come to power, but none of them have been profound, nor will they ever have a widespread effect on women," she said.

If re-elected, the MCM plans to improve quality of life for more Montreal women by following the recommendations of Le Collectif Femmes et Ville, a coalition of various women's groups.

In a 1988 report, the coalition called on the city to increase women's accessibility to low-cost housing, improve public security for women, and help fund daycare centres.

"This is a highly new and exciting project that would affect women in their daily lives," Thériault said.

But Forrest is skeptical about any far-reaching changes the MCM can accomplish.

"If you do an analysis of how Cousineau works you notice that she picks one file, works on it for a while, then hunkers down to the next set of files. That method is only sure to guarantee us absolutely nothing," she said.

"I'm so fed up right now with politicians and how they ignore women that I think I'm going to start my own party next election."

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Montreal Citizens' Movement

Pierre-Yves Melançon
Democratic Coalition

Nicole Gagnon-Laroque
Civic Party

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White Elephant

Patricia Metivier
Michel Dugré
Abraham Weizfeld

Plateau Mont Royal: District 22

North from de Bienville and Mentana Sts. and Mont Royal Ave. to Sherbrooke St. running east from Papineau Ave. to St. Denis St.

Yolande Cohen
Ecology Party

Therese Daviau
Montreal Citizens' Movement

Gilles Lavigne
Montreal Municipal Party

Jacques Marquis
Civic Party

Guy Roy
White Elephant

Daron Westman
Democratic Coalition

St. Henri: District 36

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Dianne Boyer
Montreal Municipal Party

Germaine Vaillancourt
Montreal Citizens' Movement

Louise Brisson
Civic Party

Marlene Lavoie
Ecology Party

Germain Pregent
Independent

Collin Mayrand
Montreal Citizens' Movement

Loyola: District 32

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Civic Party

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Montreal Municipal Party

Jeremy Searle
Democratic Coalition

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Montreal Citizens' Movement

Peter-McGill: District 26

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Arnold Bennett
Montreal Citizens' Movement

William Crone
Civic Party

Jose Di Bona
Independent

Pierre Corbeil
White Elephant

Jeanne Mance: District 25

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Phillipe Champagne
Independent

Caroline Chasse
White Elephant

Maria Fernandea Oliveira
Civic Party

Michel Prescott
Montreal Citizens' Movement

Victor Rodriguez
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Sports*beat*

Stingers steal crucial point

by Paul Graif

It took less than 20 seconds for Annie Caron to demonstrate goal scoring in league leading style.

In a match last Friday Concordia tied McGill and, thanks to Stinger striker Caron's goal, finished in first place in the QSSF.

Caron scoredduring injury time during the second half of the game.

It was an exciting game. McGill dominated, out shooting the Stingers by a wide margin.

Concordia was on the defensive for most of the afternoon, failing to control the play in McGill territory for any significant amount of time.

Had it not been for Stingers goalkeeper Line Turgeon, Caron would not have been able to tie the game. Turgeon held the Martlets at bay, stoning them after the Martlet Michy Reimbold's goal at the 17:40 mark of the first half.

A typically humble Caron credited Turgeon with the victory.

"The goalie had a lot to do with it (the win)," said Caron. "It could have been 2-0 and we would have given up."

The Stingers played like a team that was hanging on to first place and were fortunate to tie the game after a lacklustre showing.

The players seemed unable to get anything going at all. They weren't making their passes, clearing the ball out every time they touched it.

"Without a doubt we were lucky," said Stinger coach Lyonel Joseph. "McGill should have won the way we played."

The only time the Stingers attacked the Martlet goal was in the last two minutes of the game. The rest of the game they let the play come to them.

"We showed a lack of aggressiveness out there," said Joseph.

McGill shutout Sherbrooke on Sunday 2-0 forcing a revenge match with the Stingers.

Next Sunday Concordia will face off against the Martlets again for the championship.

Concordia beats Ottawa, jinx

by Franco D'Orazio

Pierre Trudeau once remarked that the best thing about the city of Ottawa was "the road that leads to Montreal."

Well, Ottawa may not be the most exciting town in the country but last Friday the University of Ottawa Gee Gees made sure the Concordia team wasn't bored.

In what was their toughest win of the season the Stingers fended off the University of Ottawa Gee-Gees 12-10.

"It (the game) wasn't pretty." said head coach Pat Sheahan.

On their first posesion, the Stingers marched to the Gee-Gees' 23 yard line from their own forty. It seemed as if the cobwebs had been swept from their offense until a high snap sailed over quarterback Ron Aboud's head.

Aboud recovered the ball, but for a loss of 19 yards. The Stingers were facing 3rd down and 24 yards to go from on the Gees Ges' 45 yard line.

The punting squad was sent onto the field, but Sheahan did not elect to punt the ball. Instead, fullback Nigel Smith, who was positioned as a blocker, took the snap and ran 43 yards to set up the Stingers only touchdown of the game.

Two plays later Aboud hit tight-end Jean-Francois Joyal with a short four-yard touchdown pass at 5:21 of the first quarter to pull ahead 6-0. Kicker Paul Geary converted the major score for the extra point.

"Thank God for the fake we got," said Sheahan.

For most of the rest of the game the Stingers' offence sputtered along, unable to put together a string of successful plays.

"...It's tough when you drop (passes,)"said Aboud, "we've got to learn to catch the balls." But he added that instead of fretting over missed opportunities he and his teammates simply got back to work.

The Gees Gees got onto the scoreboard when kicker/ quarterback Cam Baird split the posts with a 33-yard field goal.

More than fourteen minutes into the second quarter Geary added to the Stingers' lead with a field goal of his own, making the score 10-3.

The Ottawa squad tied the game at 3:52 of the fourth quarter when Luc Brady snatched the football from Stingers' tailback, Robert Pinazza, at Concordia's five yard line and rambled into the endzone.

Oddly enough, the only reason the Stingers had the ball was because their safety, Alvaro Martinez, had recovered a fumble by Gee-Gee running back Guy Battaglini deep in Concordia territory.

In the final ten minutes the Stingers inched ahead of the Gees Gees by two points after Geary missed on two field goal attempts.

The Gee-Gees comeback attempts were snuffed out late in the game. Stinger safety Dan Wong intercepted Baird's last pass of the night with 11 seconds remaining.

Ottawa could have won the game a couple of minutes earlier had cornerback John Dillege not deflected Baird's Hail Mary pass to receiver Kevin Hickey: the ball hit Dillege on his helmet.

As Sheahan said, the game wasn't pretty.

It was the Stingers first win against the Gee Gees since the 1987 season and their first win ever in Ottawa.

"It's a good feeling to finally win here," said quarterback Aboud. "They hung on, but we pushed them back."

The win before 400 specators .at Lansdowne Park raised the Stingers' record to 5-2, assuring them of home field advantage in the O-QIFC semi-finals.

They will be playing the Queens Golden Gaels in the semi-finals this Saturday at 1 pm.

Champs capture tourney

by Gary Lebovics

Complete domination.

Those two words are just about the best way to describe the Concordia basketball team's rout of the St-Francis Xavier X-Men.

The final score was 88-68 as a full house watched the Stingers strut their stuff.

Concordia played a complete game from start to finish with a beautiful blend of rookies and veterans, offence and defence, and talent with hard work.

"We played very well with great defence when we needed it and quality play from everyone," said coach John Dore.

The X-men started on a high with game high scorer Richard Bella dunking the ball, but that was the last lead the X-men had. By halftime two quick baskets by Dino Perrin and many fast break points helped the Stingers to a 46-39 lead.

The second half started with the X-Men narrowing the margin to three points. But to the dismay of St-Francis, a fired-up Robert Ferguson grabbed a couple of key rebounds, hit a three point shot, and followed up with a three point play.

The game's high scorer was Concordia's Michael Cohee with 20 points. The fifth year guard played the game with intensity, combining his 20 points with hard nosed defence. Tournament M.V.P. Nick Arvanitis scored 14 points in the final game. He collected 8 rebounds while guarding Richard Bella for mostof the game.

Three all-stars were chosen from the Stingers: Michael Cohee, Dexter John and rookie Emerson Thomas. They were joined by Bella and McGill's Paul Brousseau.

John and Thomas, scoring 10 and 6 points respectively, gave the crowd something to cheer about. John helped put away the opponents with three fast break baskets towards the end of the game, while Thomas came through with a solid game including several clutch plays.

The game was a rematch of last year's national quarterfinal won by Concordia, 77-71. This time around the Stingers proved they were the stronger team.

Concordia finished the tournament with a 2-0 record. They defeated Carleton on Friday night, 99-76. St-Francis got to the final by beating McGill 85-56.

The Stingers will be ranked first in the pre-season polls that come out this week. They continue their defence of the national crown this weekend at the University of Victoria tournament.

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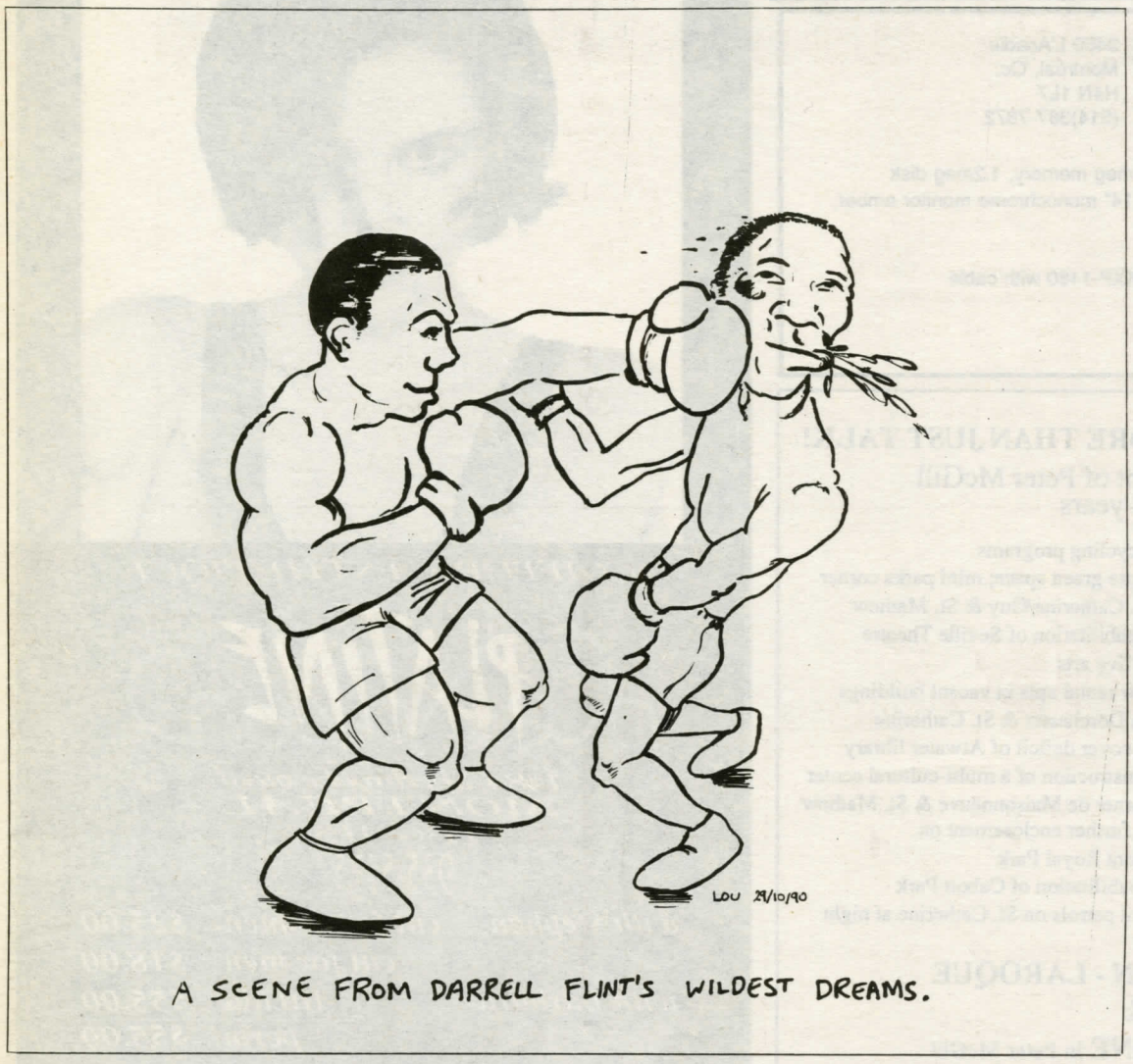


A SCENE FROM DARRELL FLINT'S WILDEST DREAMS.

Concordia student pulls no punches

Grant floors Flint

by Joey Purpura

Moments after Otis Grant's first- round knockout victory over Darrell Flint, Grants younger brother, Ryan, recalled how Otis had rehearsed his winning combination four days earlier.

"We were in the kitchen after supper," said Ryan, 13, "and Otis and I were play boxing. Otis caught me by surprise when he hit me with two left hands, and then told me that's how he was going to knockout Flint."

Practice makes perfect—and in a mere 2:58, Concordia's Grant gave 10,000 spectators at the Forum last Thursday night a crash course in boxing dynamics.

Of course, no one who had been treated to Grant's wizardry that night knew Otis had planned his lesson. Only brother Ryan was in on the strategy.

Before what seemed like a harmless opening round, Grant(12-0), as rehearsed, unleashed a flurry of two overhand lefts, dropping Flint (13-4-1), before Act 1 was over.

The brawl near ringside which preceeded the Grant-Flint fight lasted longer.

"I didn't plan to end it that early," said Grant, before the bright glare of camera lights, "but I knew that if I hit him hard enough, it wouldn't last long."

"I thought he would get up, but when the ref got to six and he didn't move, I knew he wouldn't get up."

Flint, who was spitting blood in his dressing room, said he was confused by the left-handed Grant.

"I heard the referee counting," said Flint. "I could have stood up but I didn't want to."

Flint, a 29-year-old resident of Halifax, later announced his retirement.

For Grant, who had fought in Montreal only twice the previous year and a half, this night was an opportunity to showcase his talents.

Although the fight was over quickly, Grant displayed a powerful arsenal.

He also offered the crowd a thrill

—and gained affection in the process—when he disrobed and was sporting a Montreal Canadians jersey.

"That was my trainer Russ Anber's idea," chuckled Grant.

With his triumph over Flint and his sixth-round knockout victory over 63-fight veteran Knox Brown three weeks earlier, Grant has demonstrated he is a force to be reckoned with, and ready to battle top-ranked opponents.

"We want to keep moving up," said Grant's trainer and manager, Anber. "We want to stay active and busy and the world title will come."

Grant will likely fight a yet to be determined opponent in Laval in December before challlenging Danny Sherry of Toronto for the Canadian middleweight title.

"I don't know who I'll fight next," said Grant, "but I'm ready for anyone who comes my way."

Therrien shines in win

by Ron Rogers

While the victory was a lot tighter than it should have been, and perhaps not as sweet, it was a victory nonetheless for the Concordia men's hockey squad. The Stingers met Laurentian University last Saturday evening and despite a three goal lead at one point they needed a late power play goal to cement their 6-4 victory.

Concordia got off to a fast start, with Stephane Therrien notching a power play marker three minutes into the first period. Laurentian quickly evened the score on a power play goal of their own from Ray Gallagher, before the Stingers regained the lead on Daniel Picard's goal, also with the manpower advantage. Therrien added a third power play goal with 8:47 left in the first.

Laurentian edged closer early in the second, on a goal by Murray Margarit. But Concordia regained the two goal advantage on a marker by Pat Ryan 6:52 into the second period. Ryan's second goal of the period stretched the Stingers lead to three with just over a minute left in the period.

In the third period, a case of over-confidence almost led to disaster for the Stingers. Despite being on a powerplay, Concordia gave up a shorthanded goal to Laurentian's Gallagher at the 10:03 mark, then watched as Gallagher, narrowing the margin to one, scored with just 2:37 left in the third. Coach Yves Beaucage dismissed the consecutive shorthanded goals as a case of non-thinking.

"We were up three goals, and on the power play," said Beaucage, "so the guys had a loss of concentration."

Beaucage noted that it took strong leadership from his veterans to keep things under control, praising fourth-year man John Gravelle in particular.

"Gravelle had a great game", "He really took charge when we were losing control, then put in the sixth goal," said Beaucage.

With just over a minute to go, Gravelle capped off the scoring with a goal on the power play. For Beaucage, it couldn't have come at a better time.

"When they were winning by that much, the adrenalin was really flowing, and they started to lose their concentration," said Beaucage, "especially with all the first year guys we have."

Perhaps most notable was the Stingers success on the power play, which accounted for five of their six goals.

"We're at about 40% on the power play, and it really worked well on Saturday night," said Beaucage.

This may provide a key to future success for the Stingers this season. Playing in a division where Beaucage says, "every team is good," the Stingers will need all the help they can get.

SPORTS*BRIEFS*

The Concordia women's rugby squad finished the regular season with a perfect 10-0 record, trouncing Champlain and Marianopolis, 28-0 and 26-0 respectively.

The playoffs will be held next weekend at John Abbott College. The Stingers will face Bishop's in the semi-finals on Saturday, with the championship game on Sunday.

In only the third year of the volleyball program, the Concordia women are faring very well against tough opposition. The Stingers finished third at the Queen's Invitational this weekend.

In four matches, Concordia won two and lost two. They defeated Ryerson and Queen's in straight games, while falling to Toronto and Brock. The Stingers next travel to Boston to play in the Harvard Invitational.

The women's hockey team picked up where it left off last season when they won the league title. Led by Laura Leslie, the Stingers demolished Laval 9-2. Leslie had two goals and three assists, with Suzanne Lapage addeing a pair.

The women's season opener is tonight at 6:50 at the Loyola arena against Bishop's.

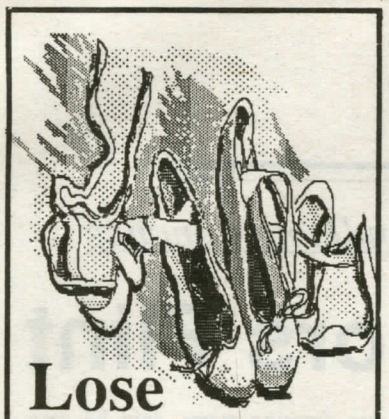
On Saturday, after a review, the men's soccer team was allowed to take the field for their semi final playoff game against Sherbrooke.

The league had decided to ban the Stingers after an incident with a referee last Saturday. However, after an appeal, it was determined that only the players involved should be suspended and not the entire team.

The Stingers may have wished they were banned, as they were soundly beaten 3-1. The lone Stinger goal was scored by Charles Joseph.

The women's basketball team appears to be in for another long season, as they were swept in straight games at the Laurentian Invitational in Sudbury. The Stingers were demolished 85-24 by the defending national champs from Laurentian in their opening game.

On Saturday they lost 68-60 to Brandon in a hard fought game. They finished the tournament losing their third straight, 87-53, at the hands of Lakehead. Cathy Miller was the only bright spot on the day scoring 24 points.



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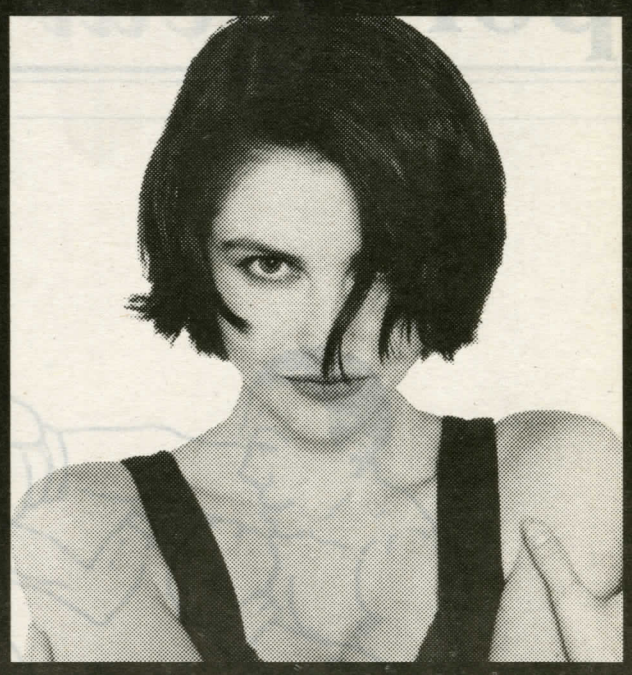

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